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Applicant: Mos, Robert and von Mueller, Clay) Group Art Unit: 2766
Serial No.: 09/102,592) Former Attorney
Filed: June 22, 1998) Docket No.: 09848/002002
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR) New Attorney
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DECLARATION REGARDING INVENTORSHIP IN CPA

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Attention: **Pinchus M. Laufer**
Primary Patent Examiner
Tel.: 703-306-4160

Dear Sir:

We, the undersigned named inventors in the Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) filed herewith, do hereby swear and declare the following:

1. Whereas, Robert Mos, Clay von Mueller and Denise Jeffreys are named inventors in the original application for patent filed on February 15, 1996, which went on to mature into the

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patent issued on June 23, 1998, namely, U.S. Patent 5,770,846, and

2. Whereas, the same Oath and Declaration was filed to be used with the continuation application Serial No. 09/102,592, in place of which a new CPA is hereby filed, and

3. Whereas, Denise Jeffreys made no material contribution whatsoever to the invention, and played no part whatsoever in inventing the subject matter of the invention, as it is now covered by the claims set forth in the aforesaid CPA filed herewith.

4. Therefore, pursuant to the rule set forth in 37 CFR §1.53(d)(4), Ms. Denise Jeffreys should be deleted as a named inventor in this CPA without the need for a new Oath or Declaration executed by the inventors.

5. Furthermore, all claims are fully supported by the specification as originally filed, and no new matter has been added by the Preliminary Amendment filed herewith. Additionally, no matter that would have been new matter in the prior application has been introduced.

6. Applicant hereby requests that the primary examiner in this case accept this statement and declaration as sufficiently complying with 37 CFR §1.53(d)(4) as an accompanying statement requesting deletion of the name or names of the person or persons who are not inventors of the invention being claimed in the new application.

We, the undersigned do hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further

that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued therein.

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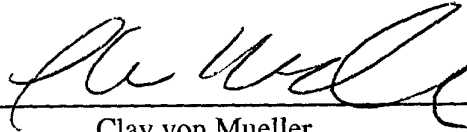
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